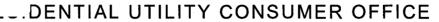
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Re: Docket Nos. W-01303A-09-0343 & SW-01303A-09-0343

Dear Commissioner Burns:

RUCO is writing in response to your letter of December 2, 2014, asking for the Parties' response to several questions concerning the Settlement reached in the EPCOR Proposed Consolidation Docket – Docket Nos. W-01303A-09-0343 & SW-01303A-09-0343. RUCO responds as follows:

1) Prior to the Settlement Agreement, what was your position on deconsolidation and Consolidation? (Were you in favor or opposed to full consolidation, full deconsolidation, partial consolidation or deconsolidation, or a reversal of the Anthem/Agua Fria deconsolidation? Other?)

RUCO had no opinion on Consolidation prior to the Settlement or at the current time. RUCO's position has always been and remains that it would not entertain a position until it had all the facts – which is the primary point of the Settlement Agreement.

2) Since the Settlement Agreement has your position changed?

No.

3) Do you see the Settlement Agreement as the first step toward your position? Please explain.

Yes – RUCO believes that the Commission needs an updated rate case which will bring all the numbers and relevant considerations current. An updated rate case is necessary, in RUCO's opinion, to provide an adequate record for the Commission to make its decision.

4) How does the Settlement Agreement advance or hinder the position you support? The Settlement provides for a timely updated rate case without deciding the issue and in a manner that RUCO believes is fair to all of the Parties and provides interim relief to some parties.

Thank you for providing RUCO the opportunity to respond to your questions.

Sincerely,

Daniel Pozefsky Chief Counsel